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INTRODUCTION

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The history of the Office of Security must necessarily parallel and include the history of the Security Program of (after 18 October 1947) the Security Program of CIA.

The principles upon which this concept is based are that Security is a common responsibility of the Director, is indeed the common responsibility of all commanders and of all individuals, and of all organizations.

The following Books and Chapters of this history

The following Volumes and Chapters of this history will narrate the development and implementation of this concept over a period of 22 years. The Director of Security is charged with implementing, recommending the appropriate security policies, with implementing, then his professional security officers, such approved policies and with activities and with providing security advice and guidance to all commanders, chiefs and individuals. The latter function is accomplished by either guidance received from the Office of Security itself or from professional security officers assigned directly to various commanders, chiefs of projects, etc. Coordination is effected by the Director of Security. Final authority rests with the Director of Central Intelligence.

For the purpose of better presenting the development and growth of both the Security Office and the Program, the history will be provided in narrative form and will be divided into five phases as follows:

Phase I - The Formative Phase of Security in CIA

Phase II - The Initial Centralization of Security Support in CIA

Phase III - Development of Security Support in CIA

Phase IV - The Growth Phase of the Office of Security and of the Security Program

Phase V - Final Evolution of the Security Office and the Security Program to include improvements and final adjustments

Each phase shall constitute a volume, divided into Chapters to accord with the type of security, type of security support and the chronological sequence of events so far as practicable. Policies and principles of security will be presented as they ~~occurred~~ were formulated or modified and again largely by type of security.

HISTORY OF THE OFFICE OF SECURITY
AND OF THE CIA SECURITY PROGRAM

VOLUME I

THE FORMATIVE PHASE

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